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## **Doniphan Man Sentenced to 5 Years in Prison for Possessing Child Pornography**

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United States Attorney Deborah R. Gilg announced that Eugene Adams, age 42, of Doniphan, Nebraska, was sentenced on August 11, 2011, in Lincoln, Nebraska, to 60 months in prison by United States District Judge Richard G. Kopf, for possessing images of child pornography. Adams was also ordered to serve five years on supervised release following the completion of his prison sentence. The Court also ordered that various items of computer equipment be forfeited to the United States.

On December 3, 2008, during an undercover operation, a Task Force Officer from the FBI's Innocent Images Task Force in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, was able to access child pornography from a computer using file sharing software publically available on the Internet. The FBI was able to identify that the child pornography was accessed using an Internet account assigned to the Defendant at his then residence in Wood River, Nebraska. Agents from Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), now known as Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) executed a search warrant at the residence of the Defendant on April 15, 2009. Examination of the computers seized by the United States revealed over 600 digital images, including videos and image files, of child pornography saved and possessed on the computer.

On May 18, 2011, Adams pled guilty to possessing child pornography. Adams also agreed to the forfeiture of his computer and related equipment.

The case was investigated by the Department of Homeland Security Investigations.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Led by United States Attorneys' Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section (CEOS), Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit <a href="https://www.projectsafechildhood.gov">www.projectsafechildhood.gov</a>.